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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12
7:00pm Coronation, Performing Arts Center - 16th & Franklin
Sponsor: Hughes Ransom

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13
Noon Queen/Sponsors Luncheon, Holiday Inn Express
Reservations required (503) 325-4484
6:30pm Kiwanis Junior Parade, Downtown
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FRIDAY, AUGUST 14
11:00am Memorial Ceremony, Maritime Park Honor:
US Navy, US Coast Guard and Columbia River Bar Pilots
2:00pm Royal Rosarian Rose Planting, Flavel House
Refreshments: Clatsop County Historical Society
Sponsor: Maddox Dance Studio
4:00pm Regatta Square Opens:
Vendors - Food - Music - Kiddie Land 12th & Duane
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6:00pm Regatta Softball Tournament, City Parks
Sponsor: City of Astoria Parks & Recreation
6:00pm Beer Garden, Pirates Den & Live Entertainment
Moose Lodge, 17th & Duane
6:30pm Classic Cutter & Ketch Races - West Mooring Basin
7:00pm Teen Dance at Regatta Square 'til 10:00pm
DJ - "Have Music Will Travel"
9:00pm Dive-in Movie, Aquatic Center

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15
8:00am Pancake Breakfast, Moose Lodge, 17th & Duane
Sponsor: Moose Lodge
9:00am Regatta Softball Tournament, City Parks
Sponsor: City of Astoria Parks & Recreation
9:00am LC. Classic Car Show, Regatta Square, 12th Street
Sponsor: Lower Columbia Classic Car Club
10:00am Regatta Square Open:
Vendors - Food - Music - Kiddie Land 'til 7:00pm
Sponsor: Bradwood Landing & Lum's Auto Center
Noon Lektro Grand Land Parade, Downtown
1:00pm Salmon BBQ, Regatta Square, 12th & Duane 'til 5:00pm
Prepared by: Astoria Lions Club

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15 (continued)
1:00pm Yacht Club Sailboat Races, West Mooring Basin
1:00pm Ya Gotta Regatta Play Swim, Aquatic Center 'til 5:00pm
2:00pm Live Bands, Regatta Square 'til 6:00pm
2:00pm Jet Ski Races, Columbia River
East Mooring Basin in 6th Street & back
Sponsor: Tidewater Construction & L&D Race Tech
3:00pm Bumble Bee/CRPA Reunion, Pier 39 'til 6:00pm
Sponsor: Hanthorn Cannery Foundation & Pier 39
4:00pm Beer Garden & Pirate Den open, Moose Lodge
17th & Duane - Entertainment, Dance, Live Music
7:00pm Steve Azar in Concert, Liberty Theater Tickets at Liberty box
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Presented by: Astoria Regatta and New Northwest Broadcasting
Pre-Concert at 6:15pm Nathan Chance North Coast
7:00pm US Coast Guard SAR Demonstration, 17th St Pier
Presented by: US Coast Guard Group Astoria
7:00pm Englund Marine Twilight Boat Parade
Dusk Waterfront Fireworks, Columbia River

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16
8:00am Astoria Yacht Club Pancake Breakfast, West Mooring Basin
8:00am Regatta Softball Tournament, City Parks
Sponsor: City of Astoria Parks & Recreation
8:00am Paddle Boat and Canoe Races - East Mooring Basin
10:00am Astoria Sunday Market, 12th St 'til 4:00pm
11:00am Ducky Derby, West Mooring Basin
Sponsor: Astoria Yacht Club
12:30pm Historic Homes Tour, Flavel House
Sponsor: Clatsop County Historical Society
Tickets and tour sites at Flavel House
1:00pm Astoria Yacht Club Pageant Race, West Mooring Basin
3:00pm "Small Townie" Bluegrass Concert
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Paddle Boat and Canoe Races: Bill Shively

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Saturday Pre-Parade Breakfast: Astoria Moose Lodge

Reception: Karen Martens

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Queens Luncheon: Bruce Conner, Eileen Thompson

Sailboat Races, Sunday Pancake Breakfast, Ducky Derby: Astoria Yacht Club

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The Regatta officially begins with the Aug. 12 at 7 p.m. at the Performing Arts College. Admiral Paul Mitchell will preside over the coronation of the ambassadors and the newly-created lobby after the coronation.



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taylor widawski

Taylor Widawski, 17, will be a senior at Knappa High School.

Born in California, she plans to return there to attend college and begin her studies in law. Both her parents are lawyers and she wants to continue the tradition.

She says her decision to try for a place in the Regatta court was on the spur of the moment. She had never attended the Regatta and she didn't know much about it.

So far she thinks her decision has been a good one. Traveling and making speeches has improved her self-confidence.

She plays on her school's varsity volleyball team and is part of the National Honors Society and Business Leaders of Tomorrow. She has been showing horses since she was six years old and while she'll have to give it up when she goes to college, she hopes to come back to it someday.



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kelcie sagen

Kelcie Sagen, 17, will be a senior at Astoria High School.

She was born and raised in Astoria among immediate and extended family, which might explain why she wants to go to a college on the East Coast.

"Everyone else has always stayed here," she said. "I want to experience something different."

She is interested in studying international relations. Her end goal: "Working for the UN would be my ideal."

She says her life has revolved around community service. For her senior project she'll be working with Habitat for Humanity, building a house in Bend.

She was lieutenant in the community service organization, Key Club, and a member of Business Leaders of Tomorrow.

Traveling with the Regatta court has been one of the best experiences of her life, she says.

"A lot of us have become really good friends," she said. "And when you're traveling for several hours a day, it makes it go by faster if you have someone to laugh with."



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sarah hunter

Working with animals and people come naturally to Sarah Hunter.

The 2008 Regatta Queen has spent most of her life involved in animal activities, both human and furry. Among other activities, she attended Camp Kick a Lot, played basketball, soccer and tennis throughout high school, ran track and field, and worked for the Bayshore Animal Hospital.

The daughter of Ramona Hunter and wife of Brian Hunter, she follows in her father's footsteps and someday wants to be a veterinarian.

She graduated from Astoria High this fall. She is not yet sure what she'll study in college. She has been accepted to the University of Oregon.

Sarah says it has been wonderful to be involved in the Regatta and meet many new people. She has made her feel even more connected with the community.

"It's wonderful and empowering to see intelligent," she said. "I feel like so many

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The Ambassador's Coronation Wednesday,
Arts Center of Clatsop Community
crown the Regatta's 2009 Queen.
own queen can be greeted in the



Queen
Sarah Pope

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of her 18 years involved with her communities, she has been a counselor at the youth basketball in her freshman and sophomore years, varsity track, taken on leadership roles at the Hospital:

ermanian Brad Pope, Sarah hopes to follow in with animals.

and will attend Willamette University in the future and is interested in pursuing biology or chemistry.

part of the Regatta. The experience has been great for the community and with the other members.

these young women who care and who are making people today don't care."



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2009 jessica humble

Jessica Humble, 17, will be a senior at Seaside High.

She plans to attend the University of Oregon to study political science, and begin pre-law course work. Then she plans to attend Willamette University to pursue a law degree.

She keeps incredibly busy with two jobs and a host of community service projects.

She has mentored middle school students. She will also help some Astoria pre-schoolers make the transition to kindergarten. She is a member of Business Leaders of Tomorrow, Cheer Club, and is the captain of the Varsity Dance Team. In 2008, she was named Miss Clatsop County's Outstanding Teen.

She has enjoyed being a part of the Regatta court.

"The other girls are very personable," she said. "And I really like getting out and involving myself in the community."

Her immediate family lives in Seaside with extended family in Lincoln City. Her family and friends are her supporters, she says. "I don't know how I'd do everything without them."



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2009 korynn greisen

Korynn Greisen, 17, from Hammond will be a senior at Warrenton High School.

After she graduates, she plans to attend Oregon State University and work toward a degree in veterinary medicine, caring for large animals.

She works at the Alpacas at Tucker Creek farm in Astoria and already has racked up a lot of experience working with larger animals.

She has run track every year until this year.

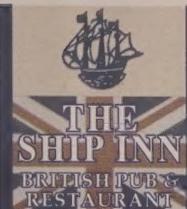
She went to Seattle in 2007 as part of the National Youth Leadership Program and was invited to go to Washington D.C. the next year for the inauguration, but had too much going on with school at the time.

She has been active in the community, working with the Trail Association, food drives, local businesses, and litter pick-up.

She is very excited to be a part of the Regatta court this year. She says Regatta is important because it gets people involved in and exploring the community.

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2009 paul mitchell

Paul Mitchell didn't have enough to do, so he accepted the title of Admiral for the 2009 Regatta.

Mitchell, a Warrenton resident, has lived in the area for six years with wife Joyce, daughter Kimberly and granddaughter Riley.

He is already vice chairman of the Clatsop County Historical Society, current president of the Astoria-Warrenton Area Chamber of Commerce, on the board of directors for the Warrenton Business Association, is on the Warrenton Planning Commission, and works for New NW Broadcasters as the vice president general manager.

He previously worked in California and helped cover the 2003 San Bernardino County fires.

As Admiral, Mitchell will add to his list of duties: crowning a queen, judging parade floats, classic cars and speaking at different events.

He says that being named Admiral for the 2009 Regatta was one of the greatest honors of his life.

"You look at the tradition of the Regatta, it's been around for 115 years. How many events have been around that long in the Pacific Northwest?" he says. "I'm a believer in traditions. There's the majesty of it all, the pomp and circumstance, that people kind of forget about. That sort of ceremony can get lost in aspects of our society."



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2009 mac burns

At this year's Regatta, Admiral Paul Mitchell will be busy crowning queens, welcoming ships, delivering speeches, and dodging pies.

But that's why there's Admiral's Aide McAndrew Burns.

"His job is to keep me on schedule and when the clowns come to do whatever clowns do, he's supposed to throw himself in front of me if they try to throw pies," Mitchell said.

McAndrew "Mac" Burns is honored to serve as the Admiral's Aide at this year's Regatta.

"It's rather humbling when you look at the list of names of people who have been Admirals Aide in the past," he said.

Burns has lived in Astoria for six and a half years with wife Rene Burns and children Rachel Fackler and Donovan Burns. He is the executive director of the Clatsop County Historical Society, the lead organization "planning, orchestrating and implementing" Astoria's bicentennial celebration.

Burns is also president of the Astoria Rotary Club and serves on the board of the Astoria-Warrenton Area Chamber of Commerce.

Mitchell and Burns were friends before the Regatta. Both men are involved with the Historical Society, the Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club.

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Shanghaied in astoria

The Astor Street Opry Company will lead the way at the Lektro Grand Land Parade as this year's grand marshals.

Shanghaied in Astoria is in its 25th season and both past and current cast and crew will be marching in the parade.

"We're a big group and we've been at this a long time," said Judy Niland, ASOC's managing director.

With nearly 30 adult and teenaged cast and crew members from Shanghaied in Astoria, 20 performers from the Junior Shanghaied and candidates for the Miss Vivian and Miss Virginia contests, Niland estimates that there will be upwards of 60 people associated with the ASOC marching and participating as grand marshals.

Niland says that parades work as a good training ground for the actors, helping them get (and stay) in character.

"We interact with the crowd," she said. "It's not a passive performance."

There will be floats to go along with all the singing and dancing and acting.

2009 astoria regatta uscg cutter steadfast



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steadfast

The USCG Cutter Steadfast will be the official Coast Guard vessel in port during the Regatta festivities. It will dock at the foot of 17th Street and will be open for tours.

The Steadfast enforces fisheries laws and boating regulations and detects marine pollution along the Oregon, Washington, and Northern California coasts. Along the Central America and South California coasts, its mission is to detect and shut down drug and migrant smuggling activities.

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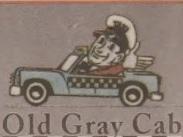
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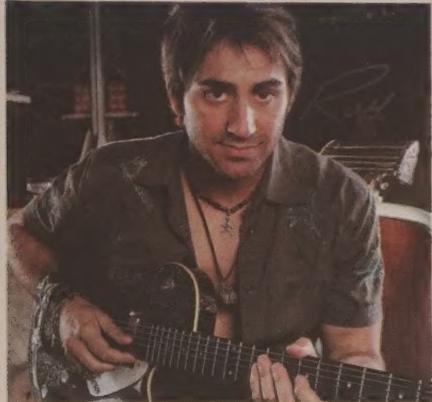


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Liberty Theater will get its country music on with Steve Azar and up-and-coming band Nathan Chance - North Coast with pre-concert at 6:15pm. The concert will take off on Saturday, Aug. 15 at 7pm. Tickets are available at the Liberty box office, 503-325-5922, or at www.ticketwest.com.

Singer-songwriter Azar will headline the concert. He has toured with Bob Seger. His music evokes many of his inspirations which include, but are not limited to, traditional country music, rock and roll, blues, Seger, Neil Diamond, Bruce Springsteen, and his home state Mississippi.

Nathan Chance - North Coast, a Seattle-based band, will bring their own country rock songs to the Liberty. They have opened for the likes of Kenny Chesney, Martina McBride, and George Strait.

CLASSIC CUTTER KETCH RACES

Bring your boats to the West Mooring Basin for some racing and parading and prizes.

Anyone is welcome to sail along with Yacht Club members up the Columbia River on Friday, Aug. 14. Captains are asked to meet at the head of dock A in the West Mooring Basin for a skipper's meeting at 5:30 p.m. The race will start at 6:30 p.m.

Not a captain, but want to ride along? Yacht Club members can't promise you a ride on one of the vessels, but if you stop by at 5:30 with your own life jacket, they'll try to find a place for you.

JET SKI RACES

Jet Ski Races will begin on the Columbia River at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 15. Contestants can pre-register at L&D Race Tech or by calling Ralph Peitsch at (503) 741-6674. While early sign-up is encouraged, latecomers are still welcome. The registration fee is \$15.

The race begins at the East Mooring Basin, goes down as far as 6th Street near Pier 10, and ends back at the East Mooring Basin. Contestants will race close to the shore to be easily visible to any onlookers.

Peitsch is coordinating the event, says they will run three heats at least, even if only 10 people show up to race.

It's the first time the jet ski races have been a part of the Regatta and everyone and anyone is welcome to participate.

"This isn't some professional racing circuit. It's for the kids, guys, and ladies next door," Peitsch said.

There will be awards for the winners of the races.

YACHT CLUB SAILBOAT RACES

The Astoria Yacht Club will be running long distance sailboat races on Saturday, Aug. 15 around 1 p.m.

Anyone interested in competing will meet at the West

Mooring Basin at 11 a.m. for a skipper's meeting. The race course will depend on what winds are blowing that day.

Race entry forms can be found at the Yacht Club's website, www.astoriarachtclub.com, or at the skipper's meeting. Pre-registration is not required.

PADDLE BOAT AND CANOE RACES

Bring your own paddle boat or canoe and equipment to the East Mooring Basin on Sunday, Aug. 16 at 8 a.m. or just bring yourself. Boats and equipment in limited quantities will be available for those who need them. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. and the first race is slated to begin at 8:30.

The number of races will depend on how many people show up.

Registration is \$5 and proceeds will go to the Astoria School District Music and Arts.

For more information call OBJ: Full Fitness Center at (503) 338-0191.

ASTORIA YACHT CLUB PAGEANT RACE

Sunday afternoon, Aug. 16, will be dedicated to shorter races.

The Astoria Yacht Club will host the Pageant Race and welcomes anyone interested in racing or riding along. Depending on the winds, the Club will try to run two or three races.

Trophies will be awarded for first and second place.

There will be a skippers' meeting at the West Mooring Basin at 11 a.m. They hope to begin racing at 12:30 or 1 p.m.

If you want to try to ride along, come to the skipper's meeting and bring your own gear: rain coats and pants and a life jacket.



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Along with old standards such as Kiddy Land, featuring castle and obstacle course bounce houses, there will be a first ever Regatta Teen Dance (ages 13-18) on Friday, Aug. 14 from 7-10 p.m. Admission for the dance will be \$2 and DJ "Have Music Will Travel" promises to fulfill any special requests.

Throughout Friday and Saturday, the Square will be full of food, live music, crafts and other entertainment and activities.

Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for children (12 & under), \$5 for a family. Attendees may also purchase Regatta buttons. A button gets you into all Regatta Square activities, Regatta Beer garden/Pirates Den, as well as the coronation. The cost of the buttons helps finance the Astoria Regatta Activities.



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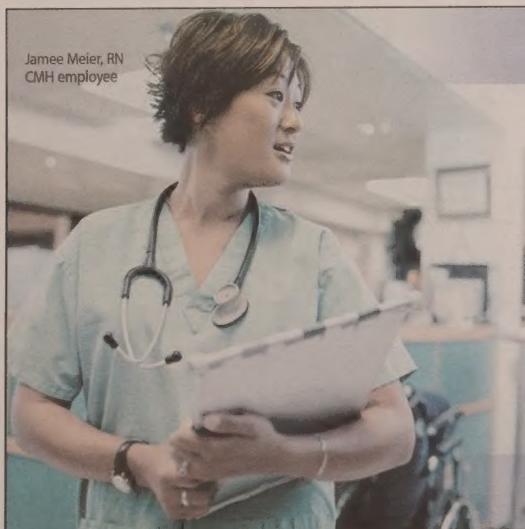
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